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SUBJ: FONMIN CAGLAYANGIL COMMENTS ON CYPRUS, THE AEGEAN AND U.S.
DEFENSE NEGOTIATIONA

1. FONMIN CAGLAYANGIL, PRIOR TO HIS FEBRUARY 4. DEPARTURE
FOR BAGHDAD, ANSWERED JOURNALISTS QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE
CYPRUS INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS, U.S.-TURKISH DEFENSE NEGOTIATIONS
AND THE BERN GREEK-TURKISH AEGEAN TALKS. THE FOLLOWING
SIGNIFICANT COMMENTS EMERGED:

(A) CYPRUS: CAGLAYANGIL ANNOUNCED THAT THE
TURKISH-CYPRIOT COMMUNITY WAS PREPARED TO BEGIN INTER-
COMMUNAL TALKS ON FEBRUARY 17, BUT THE GREEK-CYPRIOT SIDE
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WAS "TRYING TO UNDERMINE THE TALKS" AND WAS RESORTING

TO "RIDICULOUS CLAIMS THAT THE TURKISH COMMUNITY WAS TAKING AN INTRANSIGENT STAND." CAGLAYANGIL SAID, "FOR THE LAST FEW DAYS WE HAVE SEEN IN THE GREEK-CYPRIOT, AND EVEN IN THE GREEK, PRESS PROVOCATIVE STATEMENTS THAT THE PROBLEM HAS REACHED AN IMPASSE AND THAT THERE IS NO OTHER WAY BUT TO FIGHT. I WOULD NOT LIKE TO SPECULATE ABOUT WHAT WAR WOULD SOLVE OR TO WHICH SIDE IT WOULD BE MORE HELPFUL, BUT THE OTHER SIDE MUST LEARN THAT NO RESULT CAN BE OBTAINED THROUGH DELAYING TACTICS." CAGLAYANGIL CONTINUED, "FOR 17 MONTHS THE TURKISH SIDE HAS BEEN STATING WHAT IT WANTED, BUT THE OTHER SIDE HAS STILL NOT STATED IF THEY WILL ACCEPT THE TURKISH PROPOSALS OR IF THEY HAVE COUNTER PROPOSALS...IT IS THE OTHER SIDE WHICH HAMPERS THE TALKS. SOONER OR LATER THEY WILL REALIZE THAT THIS STANCE HARMS ONLY THEMSELVES."

(B) DEFENSE TALKS: ASKED IF HE WOULD SIGN A DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT IN WASHINGTON AND IF DEFENSE INSTALLATIONS IN TURKEY WOULD THEN BE IMMEDIATELY REOPENED, CAGLAYANGIL REPLIED, "I WANT TO REACH AN AGREEMENT WITH THE AMERICANS IN OUR TALKS ON DEFENSE COOPERATION. TALKS HAVE BEEN GOING ON IN ANKARA AND DEVELOPMENTS WHICH COULD BE CONSIDERED IMPORTANT HAVE OCCURRED AT THESE TALKS, BUT THERE ARE ALSO CERTAIN POINTS AWAITING SOLUTIONS. NATURALLY, IT IS UNIMAGINABLE TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITHOUT SOLVING THESE POINTS. ALSO, THERE IS NO QUESTION OF RESUMING OPERATIONS AT THE INSTALLATIONS BEFORE THE AMERICAN COMMITMENTS, WHICH WILL BE STIPULATED IN THE AGREEMENT, ARE PUT INTO PRACTICE."

(C) CONTINENTAL SHELF TALKS: CAGLAYANGIL CHARACTERIZED

THE GREEK-TURKISH BERN TALKS AS A "BEGINNING". HE SAID THE TWO PARTIES HAD EXPLAINED THEIR VIEWS AND "NOW THESE VIEWS WOULD BE EXAMINED."

D. OUR AIM IS TO BRING THE TALKS ON THE CONTINENTAL SHELF TO A SOLUTION WHICH BENEFITS BOTH COUNTRIES. WE BELIEVE THAT THE MATTER CAN BE SOLVED BETWEEN US. IT IS UNCLASSIFIED

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AMONG OUR DECISIONS TO GO TO THE INTERNATIONAL COURT OF JUSTICE (ICJ) IF NEED BE."
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